

# THE DEMOCRAT

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## Pointers to Young People

It is never smart to say unkind things.

There would be fewer seamy sides to life if we all tried to keep our right sides uppermost.

More often than not "broken hearted" means fractured pride.

Face life fearlessly and you will discover how little there is to fear. Always, always, if things have gone wrong you may begin over and go right.

Now really, is there any lasting satisfaction in "roasting" anyone?

It is you alone who can read the writing on your own heart. See to it that it is good reading.

You can help to make life one glad, sweet song by letting the other fellow have his way once in a while.

God gave you brains to think good thoughts with. Use that gift for what it was intended.

When you get that lonesome feeling hunt some body to do something for.

What the world calls genius is but the final result of hard work and intelligent persistence.

Don't borrow trouble; you will have enough of your own.

A failure finder is sure to gain for himself warm enemies and cold friends.

Believe in the better side of every person you meet. It is optimism that really saves people.

You'll pass through this world but once; acquire the habit of boosting.

Don't be afraid to fail; be too proud to cease trying.

Instead of always telling mistakes of others, try to profit by your own. Talk may be cheap, but it has cost many a man his good name, fame and fortune.

Be original. Don't be poor copy of somebody else.

It is better to tell the truth and run than lie and get caught in the act.

Instead of tearing down others, build yourself up.

Don't lose faith in yourself if you wish others to believe in you.

Few men have courage enough to honor a friend's success without jealousy.

A friend's frown is better than a foolish smile.

A friend one who considers my needs before my deserving.

The world is looking for the man who can do something, not for the man who can explain why he didn't do it.

"The world owes every man a living," said a friend, "but he's got to hustle to prove the claim."

He who seeks happiness alone will never find it but he who seeks to be useful will find happiness at every turn.

Look pleasant even if you do not feel so.

Keep your temper, no one else has any use for it.

The ladder of fame often rests on a rickety foundation.

Don't consider yourself the axle of the world; you are only a spoke in a wheel.

The surest receipt to make you wise; shut your mouth and open your eyes.—Star of Hope.

Rev. Dr. Sharpe of Chicago will commence a series of meetings February 20 at the Christian Church at Monroe City. Dr. Sharpe was at one time pastor of New London Christian Church. He is a fine preacher.—Ralls County Times.

## Mother's Face.

It was there, back there, in the dear sweet years

When the world was gay, with no clouds nor tears,

I remember well how the sunlight streamed

In my laughing eyes—Ah, I never dreamed

I should set my feet such a long, long way

When I said "Good bye" at the gate that day!

Ah, the yearning smile, and the tender glow

On my mother's face, as I turned to go!

Oh, how could I know that the road was long?

That my heart would ache for the fireside song?

That the warmth and cheer of the hearthstone bright

Would bewitch my dreams in the lonely night?

And how could I know that the coaxing star

Would beckon me on to the lands afar?

That through sunshine fair and through shadows grim

I would roam the earth to its farthest rim?

But at last I'm home, and I stand and wait,

With a haunting fear, by the little gate.

There's a mystic change over mead and wold

Which the years have wrought with their cunning bold.

Will the dear scenes welcome me back again,

Is it home, my home, just the same as then?

But the wide door creaks and a face I see,

Ah, my mother's face—it is home to me!

—Anne Porter Johnson

## Honor Roll for January.

### 1st Grade.

Carolyn Bricker, Alton Green, Clyde Hager, Ruth McFarland, Ruth Patterson, Harold Ransdell, Irene Starrett, Lillian Tuley, Russell Lynn, Reginald Sharp, Gerald McIntire.

### 2nd Grade.

Thelma Baynum, Martha Elizabeth Conway, Cora Ethel Edwards, Mary Lewis Gott, Dona Fern George, Naomi James, Elizabeth Rae Melson, Blanche Scobee, Allie Wolf, Eileen Tuley, Herman Dimmitt.

### 3rd Grade.

Ada Ruth Dawson.

### 4th Grade.

Shields McClintic, Judith Ellen Johnson.

### 5th Grade.

Paul Ballard, Edrie Bower, Francis Bull, Gwendolyn Green, Evalyn Hume, Dimmitt Jackson, Harold Lefever, Easton McFarland, Velma Miles, Thelma McCullough, Alvina Murphy, Polly Rodgers, Pauline Tuley, Lucile Tuley, Price Edwards, Demaree Christian.

### 6th Grade.

Bailey Green, Russel Yowell, Daisy Green, Evalyn Jackson, Helen Caplinger, Bessie Dawson.

### 7th Grade.

Paul Lynn, Sarah Paul Thompson, Mabel Riley, Ruby Bess Jackson, Charles Elzea, Bessie May James, Bobs Cranston.

### 8th Grade.

Dorothy Bixler, Thomas Boulware, Leo Bricker, Gladys Clark, Ethelyn Cline, Marie Humphrey, Luvenia Montgomery, Myrtle Settle.

## Nothing Doing.

"Well, Johnny, how did you like school?"

"I didn't like it a bit. The teacher put me on a chair and told me to sit there for the present. And I sat and she never gave me the present."—Ex.

# HOW YUAN WAS MADE EMPEROR OF THE CHINESE

Voting of the Republic Out and the Empire in Was Elaborate Sham.

## STAGE-MANAGED BY YUAN

Voters With Amazing Unanimity Decried for Monarchy and for Yuan—Pretext of Popular Agitation Merely a Form of Chinese Etiquette.

Peking.—In a great building in the West City of Peking, a building which was at one time a parliament house, the voters had just gone through the last act of the farce of voting the republic out and the empire in. It was a dull, not to say dismal, spectacle.

So the voters might not lose their way and foreign observers might be duly impressed, every lamp post on the streets leading to the hall bore placards giving directions, with more maps of the city. At the hall officials in uniform examined the credentials of voters or visitors and conducted them to the place where they belonged—visitors to the gallery, voters to the former senate house.

The voter was supplied with a piece of white paper on which he made the Chinese character which



Emperor Yuan Shi Kai.

signified whether he was for or against the election of Yuan as emperor. Having cast his vote and placed it on the ballot box he retired.

The voters comprised Manchus, Mongolians, meritorious persons and profound scholars, and their duty was to select 194 men who should act in the final assembly, which was supposed to speak the voice of China.

## Well Stage-Managed.

Everything was well stage-managed and the voters were in all appearance as free as air to express their opinions. There was no enthusiasm such as Occidentals are accustomed to even in their minor electoral contests, but everything was orderly and quiet and the externals left nothing to be desired.

When I add that the result was a national assembly which gave its 194 votes solely for monarchy you will be able to form an opinion as to the freedom of voting. The truth is, that, considered as a specimen of government by the will of the people, the whole business was an elaborate sham. The monarchy movement was engineered from Peking, and the present government, which is Yuan, ran it.

President Yuan is just as reluctant to become emperor of China as Theodore Roosevelt, William Howard Taft and Woodrow Wilson were respectively reluctant to become president of the United States at the last presidential contest. It is a Yuan move, and since the secret motives of men's minds are not open for judgment, I will not say that it is not the result of a deep and patriotic conviction that only the establishment of an empire, with himself in the throne, can save China. But the pretext of popular agitation and an irresistible demand are just—well, let us say etiquette, in the same way as Yuan's first refusal was oriental politeness.

It does not follow that the change may not be the best thing for China. Dr. Frank Goodnow of Johns Hopkins university is not an admirer of empires in themselves, but he came to the conclusion that a monarchy was the only government for China. Many other foreigners hold the same view. The average Chinaman does not care a straw. He understands an emperor, but has no knowledge of presidents. The president of a republic and the president of a sugar company are

alike represented by the same Chinese characters, and I am told that it has been impossible to convey to the masses any notion of any kind of rule other than autocratic.

The only real question which arises is whether the new government will work with more efficiency than the old. It should not be imagined that any sacrifice of political idealism is involved. The government which has existed in China for the last two years was not a republic, but a military dictatorship. On the whole, it is better that things should be called by their right names, and that republicans will rather rejoice that China has called in her country's political coin.

## Japanese Are Disappointed.

Will it work? The Japanese do not believe that it will, and they are in a position to press the button which will either give it a chance or surround its infant years with deadly troubles. The attitude of the Japanese government was disclosed a few weeks ago when a formal warning was tendered to Yuan against making the change.

The attitude of the Japanese press is that China, by continuing with a change which was too far advanced to be stopped when Japan gave the word, is flouting the advice of "the lord of the Orient" and should be brought to book.

The government at Tokyo is preparing another warning to China. Europe is engrossed in its own troubles and the entente allies are the willing or unwilling partners of Japan. America stands aloof. Japan has intimated that she will not permit China to jeopardize "the permanent peace of the Orient" by internal disorders. Yuan has the army with him and believes he can put down any outbursts which may occur. Japan, judging from a recent official phrase, wants a guaranty that there shall be no outbreaks. No government can give such a guaranty, least of all China, with a dozen treaty ports withdrawn from her jurisdiction.

China complains that Sun Yat Sen and other revolutionary leaders find an asylum in Japan, and claim to have proof that Sun was the instigator of the abortive rebellion in the Shanghai.

The arms which the revolutionaries used were of Japanese make, and reported that a large quantity of dynamite was found in the luggage of a Japanese who landed in China the other day, and a bomb exploded with fatal results in the shop of a Japanese merchant in Shanghai. It is a fact that such assurances as have been made by the Chinese authorities have not influenced any foreigners other than Japanese.

So you get down to this, that while

the Japanese government is openly declaring its intention not to permit upheavals in China, Japanese nationals are accused of actively doing all in their power to make upheavals. The empire did not choose a propitious moment for its birth.

## NOW DRINK LEMON EXTRACT

It Has Become Popular in Indiana Town Since Saloons Were Voted Out.

Vermont, Ind.—Lemon extract, which for years was used only as a flavoring in cakes and pastry, is being tried as a substitute for whisky and beer by some persons here since the city voted out the saloons. According to the man who claims to have discovered the drink substitute, "50 cents' worth will bring that happy, don't-care feeling, and \$1 worth will result in a first-class jag."

For some months there have been an unusual number of intoxication cases tried before Mayor Campbell. Courts of inquiry to learn where the intoxicants came from were without result. Finally, it was learned that where the grocery stores here formerly sold only a few bottles of extract in a week's time dozens of bottles are now sold daily.

Mayor Campbell has so far been unable to interfere with the lemon extract business.

## The "Ists"

Mother is a suffragist—

She states the fact with pride

A motorist is father,

And he travels far and wide.

Big Sister Julia laughs at care.

An optimist is she;

While Brother Will's a Socialist—

He's for equality.

Wee Sister's a somnambulist—

She walks round in her sleep.

And Cousin Nell's a futurist—

Her pictures make you weep.

My Uncle Jim's a pessimist

Whose croaking never ceases.

And Uncle Ike's a specialist

In brain and nerve diseases.

Figures I'm 'bout the only one

Left out in all the list.

But when I'm grown, I'll write my name

—Ted Jones, a Farmerist

—Helen Metzger in the American Agriculturist.



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